



GREEN Business Links

<http://www.coopamerica.org>

Co-Op America is a coalition of consumers and small companies with social and environmental missions. The site has hands-on tools and resources.

<http://www.ceres.org>

Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economics is a coalition of investors interested in companies promoting sound environmental management.

<http://www.envirolink.org>

Envirolink is a clearinghouse of environmental information, resources and issues.

<http://www.teleworkva.org>

- The Telework!Va Program provides incentives for Virginia businesses to establish or expand telework programs for employees. The program goal is to provide more opportunity for participation in teleworking.

Companies can receive as much as \$3,500 per employee (for up to ten employees) to establish a telecommuting link, lease home office equipment or pay for office space at a convenient telework center.

Business applications to participate in the Telework!Va program are now being accepted for review. Applicants must demonstrate their willingness to start a long-term program, invest in the planning and staff resources required to sustain a program and commit to an implementation schedule with appropriate milestones of two (2) years or less. Priority will be given to new program starts although existing program expansion requests may be considered on a case-by-case basis. You will be required to sign a contract with the commuter assistance program on behalf of the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

<http://www.sustainablebusiness.com>

Sustainablebusiness.com gives entrepreneurs information about companies it calls "Early Movers" - those businesses that are involved in eco-efficient practices.

<http://www.unbuild-rebuild.org>

This website contains information about building deconstruction, architectural salvage, and the use of recovered building materials in new projects.

<http://www.deq.state.va.us/osba>

The Virginia Small Business Assistance Program is a "non-regulatory," voluntary program within the Department of Environmental Quality. It offers small businesses free technical assistance on air quality and related environmental requirements. It's

mission is to help small businesses comply with the Clean Air Act and Virginia's air regulations, not to enforce their compliance. The Virginia Small Business Assistance Program is also a free and confidential service.

<http://www.mtcofswva.org>

Provides free and confidential assistance and training for manufacturers in the area of environmental compliance and pollution prevention. Also offers consulting in engineering, product and process development, computer integrated manufacturing and advanced design, tooling, and production management.

[Virginia Environmental Services Network](#) – DEAD LINK

To find an environmental service provider in Virginia, the Virginia Environmental Services Network site is a good place to start.

<http://www.macredo.org>

MACREDO offers recycling studies and lists of recycling companies.

<http://vrarecycles.org.dnnmax.com>

Virginia Recycling Association

Rail Service & Public Transportation -

http://www.dba.virginia.gov/virginia/center/default.asp?SECTION_ID=48

<http://www.greenbiz.com>

News, blogs and media related to green business.

<http://ecopreneurist.com>

Green business blog.

<http://green.bizjournals.com>

Green and sustainable business news

<http://www.environmentalleader.com/category/economics>

Environmental business news for CEO's.

<http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/marketing/index.shtml>

Information for agricultural and food companies related to organic farming, buying local and marketing of Virginia products.

<http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/organic/index.shtml>

Virginia Organic Directory – listings of organically-grown and farmed food products

<http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/vagrown/index.shtml>

Virginia Grown Directory – listings of farms in the state by region, including pick-your-own and farmers' markets

<http://www.ecospeakers.com/sustainable-green-business-economy/index.html>

Listing of speakers on green and sustainable business topics

<http://www.usgreencommerce.org/States/virginia.htm>

Listing of localities in Virginia that have chosen to become designated as Tree Cities, “Cool” Cities (supporting initiatives to combat climate change), Fair Trade Towns and Local Governments for Sustainability. Also offers green business listings.

<http://www.virginia.org/green>

Virginia Green program is working to help reduce the environmental impact of Virginia’s hospitality industry.

<http://www.vanaturally.com>

Virginia’s gateway to environmental information and resources. Includes a partner database of local and community resources, including green and sustainable businesses.

<http://www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen/resources.html>

Green business resources from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

<http://www.usgbc.org>

U.S. Green Building Council – pioneering the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) building certifications.

<http://www.energystar.gov>

Information on green, energy-conserving appliances. Special section on business.

<http://www.dinegreen.com>

Green Restaurant Association – helping create an ecologically sustainable restaurant industry.

<http://www.sustainabletable.org>

Celebrates local, sustainable food, educates consumers on food-related issues and works to build community through food. Information for restaurants and other food businesses, including opportunity to be listed on a green and sustainable business listing.

<http://www.vsbn.org>

Virginia Sustainable Building Network – promoting environmentally-sound building practices and sustainable development for Virginia

<http://www.greenvc.org>

Green venture capital blog

<http://www.organicconsumers.org/state/VA.cfm>

Organic Consumers’ Association mini-site for Virginia – offers organic agriculture businesses and consumers information on state initiatives and news updates on organic farming and food practices

<http://www.nvtc.org/resources/green.php>

Northern Virginia Technology Council's Green Information Central – providing NVTC members and the region's technology community with a central news and information source on “going green.” Spotlighting member companies' accomplishments in the green space.

<http://www.business.gov/guides/environment>

Green business guide from the federal government

<http://www.greenbusinessalliance.com>

Provides companies with information on what is involved in “greening” their business.

<http://blogs.ihl.com/tribtalk/business/green>

“The Business of Green” blog from International Herald Tribune.

<http://www.environmentalleader.com>

Environmental, green and sustainable business news for CEO's and business owners.

http://www.timeinc.net/fortune/conferences/brainstormgreen/green_home.html

Fortune magazine's green business brainstorming initiative and annual conference.

<http://www.smartcommunities.ncat.org>

Smart Communities' Network – Creating Energy-Smart Communities

<http://www.gbcertified.com>

Private “green business” certification program.

<http://www.energysolutionscenter.org>

technology commercialization and market development organization representing energy utilities, municipal energy authorities, and equipment manufacturers and vendors. The mission of the Center is to accelerate the acceptance of and deployment of new energy-efficient, gas-fueled technologies that enhance the operations and productivity of commercial and industrial energy users, and improves comfort and reliability for residential energy users.

<http://www.sustainablebusiness.com/index.cfm/go/businessconnections.main>

Find partners and investors for your clean, green tech business.

<http://www.cleanenergyalliance.com>

National Alliance of Clean Energy Business Incubators - established by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), is an alliance of leading business incubators dedicated to providing business and financial services tailored to the needs of the clean energy community.

<http://www.livingeconomies.org>

Business Alliance for Local Living Economies – network of sustainable businesses committed to building local economies and transforming the community economic development field

